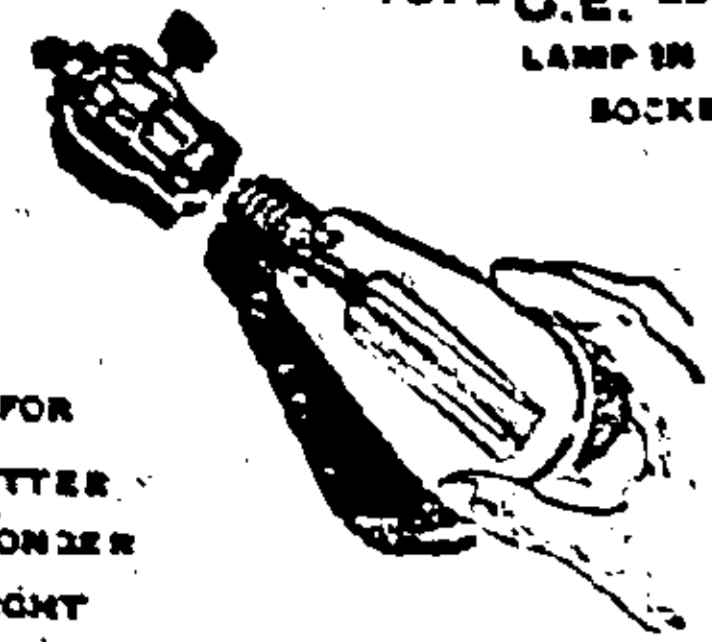


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REUTERS' TELEGRAMS.

HUNGARIAN AFFAIRS.

REMOVED ULTIMATUM TO CZECHS.

Berlin, March 31.
A message from Weimar mentions an unconfirmed report that the Hungarian Government has sent a short-term ultimatum to the Czech-Slovak State, owing to concentration of troops in Czechoslovakia and a rumoured forthcoming general mobilisation in Bohemia.

NO ONE ALLOWED TO LEAVE COUNTRY.

Copenhagen, March 31.
The Buda Pest Government has passed a Decree forbidding anyone to leave the country. Those attempting to escape will be brought before the Revolutionary Tribunal. The Decree says all rights of foreigners must be absolutely respected; the persons of foreign diplomats and the flags designating the residences of foreigners are inviolable under penalty of death.

FIXING OF SILVER PRICE.

ANOTHER MOVE BY BRITISH TREASURY.

London, March 25.
The *Times* states the Treasury announces that the maximum price of silver bullion sold in the United Kingdom will be such a price as is equivalent at the current rate of exchange to 95 cents per standard ounce.

SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

THE SHANGHAI DEPORTATIONS.

Shanghai, April 3.
The Blue Funnel liner *Antiochus* sails this afternoon. Dr. Blumenstock is expected to go with her and Dr. Gerngross to stay.

The *Antiochus* has sailed with Dr. Blumenstock.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL MATTERS.

Shanghai, March 31.
A resolution will be proposed to the ratepayers for a special tax to provide for the payment of half salary to Council employees during absence on war service, also a resolution for enquiry into vice conditions.

FOOD CONTROL IN SINGAPORE.

Singapore, April 3.
The Food Control has recently been active in prosecuting shopkeepers for not selling at control prices. Fines of from \$20 to \$150 have been imposed.

RUBBER AUCTIONS.

Singapore, April 3.
At the weekly rubber auctions 1,108 tons have been catalogued for sale. There is a good demand.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

EX-KAISER DOES NOT FEAR PUBLIC TRIAL.

ANTICIPATES RETIREMENT IN GERMANY.

London, March 31.
Mr. Harold Begbie, writing to the *"Daily Chronicle"* from Amerongen claims to have been admitted to the ex-Kaiser and says that Count Bentinck is not an old friend of the ex-Kaiser, whom he received to oblige the Dutch Government. The ex-Kaiser is by no means a broken man and is still full of energy, though his hair is white, but he has abandoned his outings and wood-chopping. His sole open-air exercise consists of an half hour walk round the moat, otherwise he remains in his room reading and writing his autobiography. The ex-Kaiser frequently expresses his appreciation of the religious atmosphere of the castle and does not fear public trial. He anticipates spending peaceful retirement in Germany.

ALLIED POOLING OF CHINA'S CONCESSIONS.

London, March 25.
Reuter learns that the Government has agreed conditionally to a British financial group participating in the new consortium for financing loans to China which will entail the pooling of all financial and commercial concessions in China among Allies concerned.

BUOYANCY IN TEA MARKET.

London, March 25.
The removal of the control of the price of tea yesterday resulted in a much larger supply being marketed. High quality teas were again on sale. China tea sold at 4s. and lower-grade teas low as 2s. a pound.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

COMMERCIAL ADVICES.

London, March 25.
Tallow is steady but unquoted. Consols stand at 56½, 57½, and 99½. Paris at 2715, Rentes at 63½, rupee paper at 52½. India stock at 69, Para rubber at 29, hard speller at 36½, for desiccated coconut, March-April cif. 72½ has been paid.

THE SILVER MARKET.

London, March 25.
Silver stands at 49½ and is steady at the advance. The silver advance is due to an American exchange movement.

FRANCE'S DESIRE TO ANNEX SAAR BASIN.

London, March 31.
Now it is believed doubtful whether Mr. Lloyd George will attend the next sitting of the British Industrial Conference on 4th April. He may remain in Paris where the preliminary peace agreement is being delayed by the German attitude on the Danzig question and problems connected with the demarcation of the Rhine provinces. As regards the question of the Saar basin which the Anglo-American delegates oppose. There has been much discussion touching the guarantees which France expects to receive against German aggression in the event of non-annexation.

SOUTH WALES STRIKERS STILL OUT.

London, March 31.
The South Wales Miners Conference has rejected the Sankey award and has advised the miners by a majority of 66 to vote against the acceptance of the recommendation by the Miners Federation.

BRITISH AIRMEN'S TRANSATLANTIC FLIGHT.

London, March 31.
A message from St. John's, Newfoundland, dated the 30th, states that the British airmen Hawks and Grieve have arrived to-day with a Sopwith aeroplane for the Transatlantic flight and propose to start on the 15th April. They hope to reach the British Isles in nineteen hours.

CESSATION OF VIENNA RAILWAY STRIKE.

Vienna, March 30.
Railwaymen have decided to resume work at twelve to-night, owing to German-Austria having food for only three days. It is stated in Vienna that one reason for the cessation of the railway strike was the fear that it might be made a pretext for the occupation of German-Austria by large bodies of French troops, which it is believed will be despatched against Hungary and the Russian Bolsheviks.

DEATH OF MR. JAMES MCGEE.

THIRTY YEARS IN B. & S. SERVICE.

The death took place last night at 9.20, at the St. Paul Hospital in Causeway Bay, of Mr. James McGee, who has for the thirty years been an engineer in the service of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire. He served on many of their ships, and had been for the last twelve years chief officer on various B. & S. vessels. On a voyage to Tientsin he knocked his left leg against the fender. Blood-poisoning set in. In North China he was medically treated and eventually brought to Hongkong and the Company's doctor treated him at the King Edward Hotel. At the request of the doctor, the patient was removed to hospital, where he lingered for the last three weeks.

The late Mr. McGee was well-known in all the ports visited by B. & S. steamers both in China and other parts of the world. He was of a genial disposition and of powerful strength. He made many friends in all the shipping towns where his death will be regretted by a large circle of friends. His death is all the more deplored from the fact that it should occur after thirty years' service, when he was about to retire on pension. He leaves a widow, to whom we extend our condolences.

DAY BY DAY.

On Wednesday night the Kong Lee Yuen grocery shop, at Lai Chi Kok, was entered by a gang of six robbers, and suffered a loss of \$28.50 in money and goods stolen.

It appears that the shop was closing down for the day, when the robbers entered and while some of them kept guard over the inmates with drawn revolvers, the others rifled the shop, and stole from the till \$27. They also helped themselves to a quantity of cigarettes, and then escaped.

DENIAL OF EX-KAISER STORY IN THE COMMONS.

Mr. Bottomley in the Commons recently asked whether the wife of Sir Walter Townley, Minister at The Hague, was a member of the committee which received the ex-Kaiser on his arrival in Holland, and what action the Foreign Minister proposed to take in the matter. Mr. Cecil Harmsworth (for the Foreign Office) replied that no committee, official or otherwise, was appointed to receive the ex-Kaiser on his arrival in Holland, and Lady Susan Townley, therefore, was not a member of any such committee. The facts of the case were that she happened to be motoring in the neighbourhood, and was one of the spectators who witnessed the ex-Kaiser's arrival.

WAR COMFORTS.

CITY HALL WORK PARTY.

During the months of March and February, the City Hall Work Party packed the following:

February—186 shirts, 215 pairs of pants, 62 pairs of pyjamas, 147 vests, 12 bed-jackets, 17 wadded jackets, 12 small pillows, 8 pillow-cases, 30 food-covers, 29 scrubbers, 168 handkerchiefs.

The Wool Department, under Mrs. Alabaster and the Misses Grimble, packed:—318 pairs of socks, 3 pairs of stockings, 2 pairs of gloves, 2 pairs of hospital stockings, 40 pairs of knee-caps, 29 mufflers, 2 waist-coats, 7 caps, 25 helmets. These were all sent to the British Red Cross in Siberia.

Forfeiture women and children in France, very kindly forwarded by M. Paul Kremer, Consul General for France:—51 boys' shirts, 110 infants' vests, 93 boys' overalls, 49 pairs of women's knickers, 5 small bonnets, 1 knitted coat, 6 scarves, 10 men's shirts, old, 6 pairs of men's trousers, old, waistcoats, 146 vests, 36 shirts, 152 pairs of knitted jerseys, 72 handkerchiefs, 10 women's shirts, playing-cards and books.

March.—111 shirts, 118 vests, 120 pairs of pants, 78 pyjamas, 72 handkerchiefs, 96 food-covers, 18 washers, 220 fly-nets, 11 pillow-cases.

The Surgical Department packed 532 many-tailed bandages and 455 roller bandages.

A certain number of the March packings have been held over, to answer local military calls; the rest have been sent to the British Red Cross in Siberia.

Given to 28 men belonging to Knox's Mission, proceeding to Vladivostok:—26 shirts, 26 vests, 26 pairs of pants, 26 pairs of pyjamas, 30 fly-nets, 60 handkerchiefs, 60 pairs of socks, 15 pairs of knee-caps, 8 caps, 7 mufflers. Towels and soap were given by the War Charities Committee, and the British American Tobacco Co. very kindly added two packets of cigarettes to each man's bundle.

The following letter has been received:

8 Civil Lines, Rawalpindi, India.
29th Jan. 1919.

Dear Mrs. Stabb,
I am so sorry for having been so long in writing to thank you and the members of your Work Party for the splendid supply of Red Cross gifts you sent for this Depot.

The things arrived 2 months ago in very good condition and will all prove most useful. Mrs. Barton unfortunately left the station last Spring; she is a great loss, as she was such an energetic worker. You send her a great many things for the Hospital in Jhelum (an Indian one), and a good many of your things have already gone to her.

This Depot is to be closed next Spring, so your things have come in very useful, for the many large indentations that are pouring in.

Thanking you all again for your great help and generosity. Yours sincerely,

FLORENCE BUIST.

It is with very great regret that we have to record the resignation of some of our officials, who for various reasons are not able to continue the work for another summer. At the same time we must extend a very appreciative welcome to those who are replacing them.

Mrs. M. J. D. Stephens has worked with us almost from the very start in 1915, and Mrs. Holloway nearly as long; their places are being taken by Mrs. and Miss Moorhead in the Packing Room, and Mrs. G. E. Stewart and Mrs. Wells in charge of the cupboards.

HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Administrative Orders by Major H. A. Morgan, Administrative Commandant, state:

STRENGTH.

No. 126 L. Corp. C. L. Howell, No. 946 Spr. W. G. Lawson and No. 205 Spr. J. Moraes, Engineer Company, are invalided from the Corps on the recommendation of a Medical Board, dated 24th March, 1919. No. 5, C.S.M. A. J. Mackie, Artillery Company, (attached to Hongkong Police), is permitted to resign, on leaving the Colony, dated 3. 4. 19. No. 811 Gunner T. F. Ford, Artillery Coy., is permitted to resign, on leaving the Colony, to date from day of departure. Pte. 734 Pte. H. A. Baxter, Signalling Section, is permitted to resign, on leaving the Colony, dated 1. 4. 19. No. 336 Pte. D. Ritchie, "A" Company, is permitted to resign on leaving the Colony, dated 3. 4. 19.

LEAVE.

Lieut. T. G. Weall is granted extension of leave until September, 1919. L. Corp. W. A. Morgan, "B" Coy., is granted 2 months' leave from 5. 3. 19. Bomb. W. E. Douglas, Artillery Coy., is granted 8 months' leave from 23. 4. 19. Pte. R. E. O. Bird, "D" Coy., is granted 8 months' leave from 25. 4. 19. Pte. A. D. Gee, M. G. Coy., is granted 6 months' leave from 23. 4. 19.

EXAMINATION FOR PROMOTION.
Reference Corps Order No. 5 dated 10.1.19, a lecture will be given by the Adjutant at Headquarters on Wednesday, 9th April, at 6 p.m.

EQUIPMENT BOARD.
The Board will sit at Headquarters from 5.30 to 6 p.m. on the following dates:—Monday, 14th April; Friday, 25th April; Monday, 5th May.

ARTILLERY ORDERS.
Orders for Artillery Company by Major J. H. W. Armstrong, V.D. state:—
A meeting of all Officers, W.O.s and N.C.O.s will be held Headquarters on Thursday, 10th instant, at 5.30 p.m.

ENGINEER ORDERS.
Orders for Engineer Company by Captain W. Russell state:—
Practice Run, D.E.L.—N.C.O.s and Sappers as detailed by the C.S.M., will parade for duty at Belcher's at 9 p.m. on Friday, 11th April. Officers on duty: Lieuts. Hall and Marley.
Instructional Class for Recruits. Recruits will attend for instruction under R. E. Staff Sergeants at West Fort, Kowloon, on Wednesday, April 9th, at 9 p.m. Parade at Ferry Wharf, Kowloon, at 8.45 p.m. Officer on duty: Lieut. Stevenson.

INFANTRY ORDERS.
Orders for Infantry Battalion by Major H. A. Morgan state:—
Monday, 7th April—"A" Company No. 4 Platoon, at Headquarters, T.E.T. at 5.15 p.m.
Tuesday, 8th April—5.15 p.m. "A" Company No. 2 Platoon, at Headquarters, T.E.T. for N.C.O.s. The following will attend:—Sergt. Humphreys, Corpl. Walker, and MacKichan, and L/Cpl. Brown. T.E.T. parades will be held on subsequent Tuesdays for N.C.O.s and men of this unit. Further orders will be issued.

SIGNALLING SECTION.
Tuesday, 8th April—5.15 p.m. At Headquarters. T.E.T.—Rifles, belts, pouches and dummy cartridges to be carried.

Mrs. Coleman and Mrs. Nicholls have cut out for us from the beginning, we shall miss them very much, also Mrs. Bowley, Miss Hastings, Mrs. Mitchellmore, Mrs. Ram, and Miss Ventria, to whom we give our best wishes for pleasant journeys.

Mrs. Dewsbury replaces Mrs. Goldsmith as City Hall Treasurer, and Mrs. F. C. Hall is taking over the work done for so long by Mrs. Graham and Mrs. Franklin, giving out and receiving work on Tuesday mornings.

ETHEL M. STABB.

To-Day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 3s. 2.15-16d.

The Weather.

Forecast—rain. Barometer—29.99. Temperature 2 p.m.—63. Humidity 2 p.m.—83.

TO-DAY'S CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

(Via T. S. Yat Po Service.)

Peking, April 3.

It is reported that a strong protest has been lodged with the Japanese Legation against the arrest of three Koreans in Peking. So far Japan has ignored the protest.

Half a million Koreans have left for Manchuria, wishing to become naturalised Chinese subjects. Japan has requested China to turn the Koreans back.

It is reported that the Mongolian independence movement was specially engineered by Japanese and Chinese militarists as an excuse for the existence of the National Defence Army.

Shanghai, April 3.

Kung Sun-chun, the Financial Minister, attended a Cabinet meeting, but Kun Wan-pung, Minister of War, has refused to withdraw his sick leave. The majority of the Cabinet members sided with Kun; therefore Kung has become friendless and must again resign.

The Cabinet has instructed Chan Luk to reply to the Diplomatic Corps that they must not agree to the South West drawing the Customs surplus.

The Chinese community in Shanghai complains that the Government is utilising all the Tientsin-Pukow Railway cars for troop transportation and will not carry cargo, thus greatly inconveniencing merchants.

ONE-MINUTE STRIKE.

Telegrams from Lyons and Nice to the *Temps* announce that the employees of the Paris-Lyons-Mediterranean Railway recently struck for 15 minutes on the instructions of their union as a protest against the delay in dealing with the railwaymen's demands. All trains stopped for one minute.

SIR ALFRED TUESZ'S WILL.

Major-General Sir Alfred Edward Turner, K.C.B., of Carlisle House, Chelsea, Colonel Commandant, R.A., D.A.A.G., on the headquarters staff in the Nile Campaign, afterwards Military Secretary to Prince Edward of Saxe-Weimar, Dublin, and Private Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant (Lord Aberdeen), a descendant of the British North Borneo Company, who died on November 20, left estate of the value of £26,776. 1d.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Coronet Theatre—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Theatre Royal—Final Production of "Pinkie and the Fairies"—9.15 p.m.
Hongkong Gymkhana Club—First Meeting at Happy Valley—Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Coronet Theatre—9.15 p.m.

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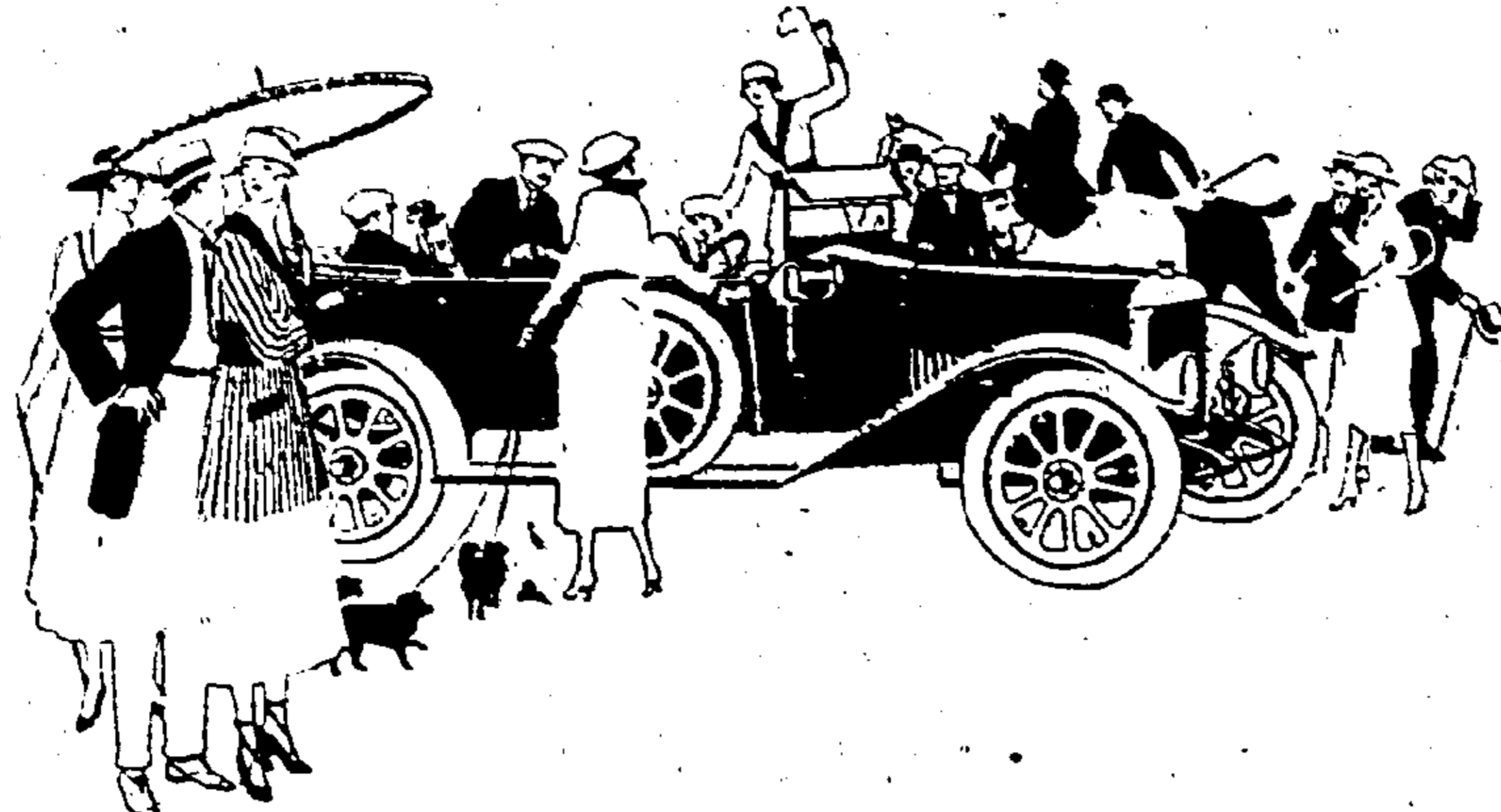
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Sir Leo Chiozza Money writes
in the Daily News, as follows:—

The triumphant success in
circumstances of appalling
difficulty and danger, in
maintaining the food supplies,
material supplies, and munitions,
not only of Britain
but of our Allies in the war, has
not given unmitigated satisfaction
to the private interests which
had to be curbed in order to
achieve the salvation of the
country. We need not be
surprised if wholesale grocers dis-
like the Sugar Commission, or if
the shipowners whose gorgeous
profits were docked—if not en-
tirely—by the Ministry of Shipping
are anxious that the public should
not draw a proper moral from the
success won by the Ministry in
checkmating the submarines.
Early in 1917 a deputation of
shipowners and others went to the
Chancellor of the Exchequer with
figures to prove that the shipping
situation was such that we could
not carry on. How, then, did we

carry on, and prove them wrong?
The answer is just because the
use of ships was nationalised;
they were so disposed, as they
could not be disposed in private
hands, as largely to maintain our
cargoes with a diminished
tonnage.

SHIPOWNERS' FALLACIES.

The Liverpool Steamship
Owners' Association has just
issued an official report of a
character so misleading that I
find it difficult to understand
how responsible men could put
their hands to it. It affects to
compare shipping results under
private control and State control
respectively, and it actually
represents that the figures for
the twelve months ended
July 31, 1916, and July 31,
1918, respectively, probably afford
"the fairest basis for a general
comparison between the results
attained under State control and
commercial control over overseas
trade and shipping, as the first
of these twelve months is the last
of the years in which commercial
control remained in full operation,
and the second of these twelve
months is the first year in which
State control was in full opera-
tion in regard to both the ships
and their cargoes. In the first of

these years, under commercial
control, our food imports showed
a decrease of 4 per cent. in weight,
and an increase of 40 per cent.
in cost, on the figures of peace.
In the second of these years,
under State control, the decrease
in weight was 33 per cent., while
the increase in cost was 76 per
cent."

MISLEADING COMPARISON.

If the Liverpool shipowners
had desired to make the most
unfair comparison open to them
they could not have chosen a
more effective way of doing it.

In the first of these two periods
the submarine attack was com-
paratively a small thing. The
blockade of Britain was not com-
menced until February, 1917.

In the second of these two
periods, and in the interim, the
German submarine attack was in
full swing.

Here are the figures, which the
Liverpool shipowners forgot to
present to the public:

	Gross tons.
12 months ended July, 1916	1,034,000
12 months ended July, 1917	3,175,000
12 months ended July, 1918	2,371,000

Loss from July, 1916,
to end July 1918: 5,746,000

Had the Association forgotten
these facts when it wrote its
report? I wish I could say that
it had, for it would be more
creditable to the author. A little
further on in the report I find
these remarkable words:

"No doubt as the war dragged
on the world's supplies of both
cargoes and ships were diminished."

Could anything be more dis-
ingenuous? The author of the
report knew perfectly well the
facts of the case, and he saved
his conscience by putting in

OUR MANILA LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Manila, March 28.

An investigation is now in progress before Col. Smiley, Department Inspector for the U.S. Army, at Fort Santiago, into several Army contracts which have been let during the past year, prominent among which are two identical contracts for clothing. Hundreds of thousands of pesos are involved in the deals. There have also been investigations by the Military Intelligence Division tending to reveal the theft of cloth from the Government over a period of three years, and partially in letting contracts for the making of uniforms. The officers in charge of the investigation promise full publicity of the facts in the case as soon as the findings are completed.

Mayor Lukban, of the City of Manila, has been adjudged guilty of contempt of Court in the decision of the Philippine Supreme Court granting a writ of *habeas corpus* to the 178 women of the Gardenia or "red light" district who were summarily deported to Davao, in Mindanao, upon the Mayor's orders some four months ago. He was assessed in a fine of 100 pesos. The Chief of Police, Mr. Mohmann, who executed the Mayor's orders, and against whom contempt charges were also filed, was acquitted. The attorney who has been conducting the case for the women now contemplates bringing criminal charges against the Mayor on the grounds of coercion and illegal detention of the persons of the women. The City Board of Manila has become greatly excited over what they call the Mayor's high-handed methods, and an attempt was made to pass a resolution calling for his dismissal and also the dismissal of Mr. Mohmann by the Governor General. The resolution failed to pass by one vote.

Miss Ruth Law, the famous American aviator and holder of world records, who is now in Manila, will give a series of four exhibition flights over Manila on April 4 and 5. She will appear under the auspices of the Aero Club and will include in her flights an experiment in air mail service. A big reception and ball are being arranged for April 4 at the Manila Hotel in her honour.

An American Investigation Commission will shortly be sent to Palina Island, off the south-eastern portion of Mindanao, the ownership of which has been in dispute between the United States and Holland since the Treaty of Paris at the close of the Spanish-American War. The Commission will report to the Insular and Federal authorities. A similar investigation will be conducted by the Dutch Government, after which it is probable that an agreement will be reached on the title.

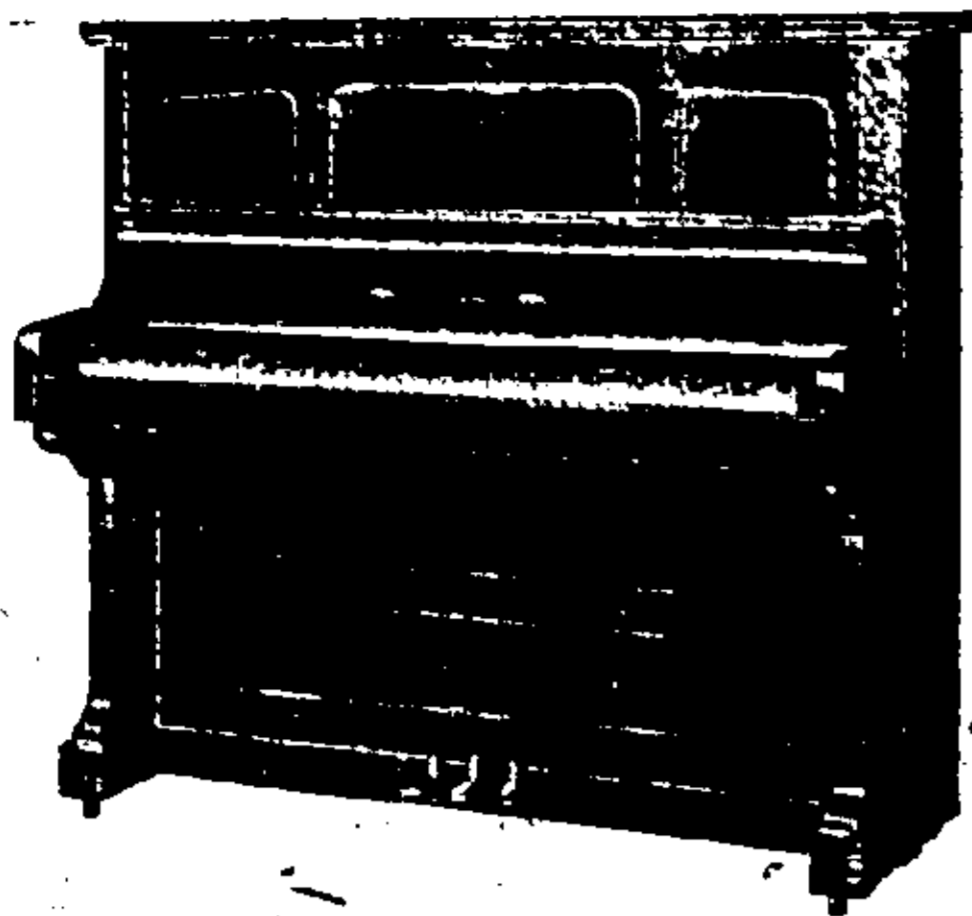
Word has been received from Washington of notable commodity rate reductions on American exports to the Orient by the Railroad Administration. It is believed that the reductions will assist in meeting competition between American goods and European goods shipped to the Far East by way of the Suez Canal, and is in line with the American programme of export trade expansion.

Judge Charles S. Lobingier, of the American Court at Shanghai, has stirred the resentment of a large number of American and Filipino lawyers, members of the Philippine Bar Association, in connection with a letter which he wrote in protest to the admittance of the Philippine Association as a member of the American Bar Association. Judge Lobingier charges that members of the Philippine Bar were tools of politicians and that the Association engaged in questionable political activities. The letter brought forth a stout and indignant denial of the charges in a resolution passed by the Association, copies of which have been sent to Judge Lobingier and to the Chairman of the Committee on membership of the American Bar Association in the United States.

Mr. H. Parker Willis, first President of the Philippine National Bank, has been secured to serve the Bank as Fiscal Agent in the

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TWO ADMIRALS HONORED.

The freedom of Chatham was conferred recently on the Commander-in-Chief of the Navy, Admiral Sturdee, Vice-Admiral Sir Roger Keyes, commanding the Dover Patrol, and Mr. Gerald F. Fisher, R.U.C., the member for the Gillingham Division. Admiral Keyes said he felt very strongly that a great deal of honour had been conferred on what was known as the Zeebrugge raid, for after all, it was only able to succeed because of similar unadvised acts of gallantry which had been carried out by the Army throughout the war. Admiral Sturdee reviewed the battle of the Falkland Islands, and urged the need of still retaining a strong Navy as a means of keeping up internal communication with the Empire.

WAR MEMORIAL REFUSED.

The Irish Country Council has refused permission to the Irish War Club to erect a war memorial named the "Hibernians". The form of the proposed memorial was criticised by the Chairman of the Highways Committee, Mr. Ferard, who declared that the design sent in was in the form of a cross. On the top was a bicycle wheel, while one arm of the cross conveyed the information that it was so many miles to Newbury, and the other that it was so many miles to Reading.

TUNNEL TO ISLE OF WIGHT.

The construction of a tunnel under the Solent to afford through railway communication with the mainland is being urged upon the Isle of Wight County Council in connection with the approaching Council elections. Mr. Frank G. Arman, Totland Bay, is the originator of the tunnel project, and, with the late Sir Blundell Maple, he obtained Parliamentary powers a few years ago for the construction of a tunnel under the Western Solent, from Lymington to Freshwater.

GEN. TOWNSEND & PARLIAMENT.

The announcement that General Townsend intends to stand as an independent candidate for Parliament as soon as a favourable opportunity occurs has been received with great interest by the prisoners home from Kut. His name was mentioned recently in connection with the vacancy at West Leyton, but inasmuch as the candidates for that division had already been chosen he will wait, a representative of the *Daily News* learns, for some more favourable opportunity.

United States. He will assist in securing a loan from the Federal Government War Finance Corporation to remedy the dollar exchange predicament which at present confronts the Philippines owing to large payments in American dollars made for Liberty bonds, Red Cross contributions and turn-overs from sales of enemy property in the islands.

OUR PEKING LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Peking, March 22.

Peking and pessimism seem to be related these days. Nothing is going well. The deadlock in Shanghai continues and there is no immediate prospect of the peaceful settlement which many expected to have been arranged long ere this. The plan for the unification of railways has not attracted the Chinese support that was hoped. Moreover, the latest news from the Peace Conference in Paris indicates that the Japanese delegates are winning diplomatic victories over the Chinese delegates due to the intriguing of pro-Japanese Chinese. Then the reports from Mongolia are not calculated to increase the comfort of the Peking authorities. To add to the general depression the Peking notes of the two Government banks have fallen down again and are just over 60. No wonder then that depression prevails in official circles in Peking.

Opposition continues to the plan for the unification and internationalisation of China's railways. At the moment it would indeed appear as if the scheme had little prospect of success. Liang Shih-yi and Tsao Ju-lin seem to have effectively scotched the somewhat indefinite projects for unification and centralisation, the protagonists of which have been mainly British and Americans. Plans outlined in the *Journal de Peking* are perhaps the most definite yet presented. Certainly the articles in question are the most important contribution yet publicly made to the discussion of this subject. These would have a greater value if the *Journal* represented any other interests but its own.

There is poetic justice in the demolition of the Ketteler Monument which adorned the Hatamen and its re-erection in the Central Park as a Chinese monument to celebrate the victory of right over might. The ceremony of inaugurating the construction took place on Saturday in the presence of the Premier, members of the Cabinet and foreign diplomats. A brass tablet with a new inscription was affixed to the stone which to occupy the centre of the pylon, ministers being given the privilege of driving a nail into the brass and afterwards of laying a garland of growing wheat upon the memorial stone. Sir John Jordan had the distinction of making the most impressive speech of the afternoon, speaking as he did in the language understood by the common people.

Reliable information comes to me regarding Japanese intrigues in Mongolia indicating a state of affairs which can only be corrected by the wholesome influence of publicity, leading of course to the inevitable official denial from Tokyo. It has been common knowledge for some

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(This report has been heard before and contradicted. My information, however, is such as to confirm it.) Japanese were to direct their military, diplomatic and financial affairs. Japanese also were to present their case to the Peace Conference in Paris. However, autonomous Mongolia disliked the scheme, which had perforce to be abandoned. Subsequently, it was arranged that the Japanese should assist the Buriats to organise their own Government, with an ex-medical officer of the Russian consulate at Urga as Prime Minister, behind whom of course would be the Japanese. Buriat agents were dispatched to Urga to rouse the people but their efforts were unsuccessful. Recognising failure, the Japanese devised another scheme, which was nothing less than the division of the political and religious administration, which amounts to a movement against the Living Buddha. When the revolt takes place, Buriat troops are to come to its assistance.

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["Hongkong Telegraph" Special.]
We published on Wednesday an interview with a prominent Portuguese gentleman on the proposal to establish a Jesuit College in Hongkong. As the question has been heated in circles outside the limited circle of those who are favoring this scheme, we have considered it advisable to present the pros and cons of the matter before our readers, and have, therefore, for the purpose seen another Portuguese gentleman who has large trade interests in the Colony and whose interest in matters educational is keen.

The gentleman, in question, at the outset, stated that he was not enamoured of the suggestion. "I do not believe in the method of teaching of the Jesuits and in the ideas which they inculcate in the youths. It is well-known that their slogan is 'the end justifies the means.' They create trouble and are politicians under a hidden hand. Take any encyclopaedia and you will find this borne out. They are the only religious Order that have been hostile to the Allies during most of the period of the great world war. Although the Jesuits are composed of all nationalities, they elected a German as head of the Order. His name was Francis Xavier Wernz, and he was elected in Rome two or three years ago when Italy was at war. The head of the Jesuits is known as the Black Pope. I do not think the Roman Catholic Church will look with favour upon their coming here, because Hongkong is an Italian sphere of influence as far as Roman Catholicism goes. This is an Italian preserve. The Jesuits are priests and if they come here they would politically scheme. I do not think the Italian Order would look upon it with much favour. Hongkong is under the jurisdiction of the Italian priests. No Catholic priests of any other nationality can exercise their religious function unless with the approval and sanction of the Italian mission. The head of the Italian mission is Bishop Pozzoni."

In reply to a query as to what attitude the Spanish and French Missions would take, the gentleman referred to said the Spanish and French missions were business concerns. They managed properties but had no schools, nor performed any religious functions. "They have their own private church. They maintain the missions and look after the interests of the Missions in the interior. That is their prime object. Their secondary object is to look after their properties."

Asked as to whether a Jesuit College would help to solve the educational problem of the Portuguese, the gentleman said: "It will divide us politically, socially and in every way."

On the question as to whether another College is necessary, the gentleman interviewed said: "Another Catholic College is a long-felt want among the Portuguese community. They say that the teaching here is not up to the standard in Shanghai, Manila and Singapore. I certainly agree with that view. There is room for higher grade Colleges, which we have not."

"You do not mean to say that the education you get in Hongkong is of a lower standard than

in other parts of the East?" asked our representative.

"I certainly think so," said the gentleman interviewed. Con-

tinuing he said: "The new Jesuit College which some are agitating for will cost nothing under half-a-million dollars. They propose to enlist Chinese aid and the Jesuits will probably convert heathens into Roman Catholics. We certainly need better schools in the Colony but not a Jesuit School. The Roman Catholic schools in Hongkong do not impart a proper education. Those Portuguese who aspire to higher education cannot get it in Hongkong."

SOME FACTS ABOUT THE JESUITS.
The Society of Jesuits, in its original conception and well-avowed object, is a body of highly trained religious men of various degrees, bound by the three personal vows of poverty, chastity and obedience, together with, in some cases, a special vow to the Pope's services, with the object of labouring for the spiritual good of themselves and their neighbours.

The most fatal part of the policy of the Society was its activity, wealth and importance as a great trading firm with branch houses scattered over the richest countries of the world. Its founder, with a wise instinct, had forbidden the accumulation of wealth; its own constitutions, as revised in the 84th decree of the sixth general congregation, had forbidden all pursuits of a commercial nature, as also had various Popes, but nevertheless the trade went on unceasingly, necessarily with the full knowledge of the General, unless it be pleaded that the system of obligatory espionage had completely broken down. The first muttering of the storm which was soon to break was heard in a brief issued in 1741 by Benedict XIV., wherein he denounced the Jesuit offenders as "disobedient, contumacious, capricious and reprobate persons," and enacted many stringent regulations for their better government. Finally, on July 21, 1753, the famous brief *Stomacum ne Redemptor* appeared, suppressing the Society of Jesus. This remarkable document opens by citing a long series of precedents for the suppression of religious orders by the Holy See. It then briefly sketches the objects and history of the Jesuits themselves. If speaks of their defiance of their own constitution, expressly revived by Paul V., forbidding them to meddle in politics, of the great ruin to souls caused by their quarrels with local ordinaries and the other religious orders, their condescension to heathen usages in the East and the disturbances resulting in persecutions of the church, which they had stirred up even in catholic countries, so that several Popes had been obliged to punish them. In Portugal, ranging themselves on the side of Dom Miguel, they fell with his cause and were exiled in 1834. There are some to this day in Lisbon under the name of "Fathers of the Faith," Russia, which had been their warmest patron, drove them from St. Petersburg mainly on the plea of attempted proselytizing in the Imperial Army. In Great Britain, whither they began to struggle over during the revolutionary troubles at the close of the 18th century and where, practically unaffected by the clause directed against them in the Emancipation act of 1829, they have been unmolested.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

AN APPEAL

Sir,—I should be grateful if you would allow me to make an appeal through your paper. The hot weather will soon be upon us and cricket, football and hockey, which have done much to brighten the past months, will be finished. Only those who have lived in barracks know how monotonous Army life can be with no sport, and it is to help to relieve this that we are starting a Garrison Tennis League, in order to encourage tennis playing, not for the few, but for the many. Tennis, however, is an expensive game and there are already many calls on Army pay, therefore any gift of surplus rackets, balls, or even a net, will be very welcome, and if sent to Room 95, Peak Hotel, will be gratefully acknowledged by yours, etc.

REGINALD A. BUNDLE.

Chaplain to the Forces
Hon. Secretary.
Peak Hotel, 2nd April, 1919.

THE JESUIT COLLEGE.

Sir,—I have read with much interest the article which appeared in your issue of yesterday under the heading "A Jesuit College for Hongkong," in which you stated: "They (the Portuguese community) consider the education that their children are receiving in the schools of the colony is not sufficient to equip them for the battle of life. This assertion is a somewhat bold one and probably will attract some controversy. Why do you call this assertion a somewhat bold one? Have not the Portuguese and the Catholics in Hongkong the same right as in other countries to seek a sound and high-class education for their children? Certainly they have. In Tokyo, where the Catholic population is so small, in addition to the Government University, there is a Catholic College directed by the Jesuit Fathers, and one of its professors, the Rev. M. J. McNeal, S. J., has received an appointment as Lecturer in English Literature in the Imperial University. As to controversy, that may give rise on the subject, everything will attract controversy, but opposition will simply give more courage and energy to those who are working for a good cause and it will open the eyes of those who are misguided. I do not propose to enter into any controversy in the local press, but any one who desires to speak to me personally on the subject I shall be too glad to meet him. Look at the Jesuit Colleges in Calcutta and Bombay and the various provinces of India and Malabar Coast, see what the Jesuits have done and are doing there. Ask both the Catholic and Protestant Viceroys of India of what they think of those institutions. For this purpose I hand you the interesting and illustrated publication of *Azerian* for your inspection and appreciation. By it you will see and greatly appreciate the stupendous work done by the Jesuits in Calcutta. Not far from here, over fifty years ago Macao was in a far better flourishing state when the renowned late Father Rondona and Mattos were conducting the education at that time, and many of their pupils have attained high position in various professions and others have occupied important posts in different Services, even in the Diplomatic Service and so on. All that was due to the careful training and tuition under them.

I will say no more for the present, except that I thoroughly endorse the establishment of a Jesuit College in this Colony, which sooner or later will be in the same footing as the St. Xavier's Colleges in India and affiliated to the University of Hongkong, as they are actually in India.

Yours etc.

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There are two good games at the Valley on Saturday, the Hongkong Club and the Navy meeting in the final match of the Hongkong League and Kowloon meeting St. Joseph's College on the same ground.

The Club and Navy match will decide the winners of the Championship of the Hongkong League, but the Navy have the better chance as they only require a point to win the Championship whereas the Club must beat the Navy, both teams having now finished their League Programme and the Navy being one point ahead. The match should be like all others between two Clubs this season, a very close affair, and both teams are fielding their strongest available.

The junior match is of a very interesting nature as Kowloon have upset several clubs this season and may give St. Joseph's a surprise. A win for Kowloon however is hardly to be expected, but a good struggle should result. The teams and officials are as follow:—

Hongkong League.—Hongkong Club v. Navy, kick-off 4.15 p.m., Club ground, referee Mr. Wright.

2nd Division Hongkong League.—St. Joseph's College v. Kowloon, kick-off 2.30 p.m., Club ground, referee Mr. Emery.

The following players have been picked to represent the Hongkong Football Club in the game with the Royal Navy:—G. Rodger; T. R. Chassels and J. McCubbin; B. Pascoe, J. Stewart and J. D. Carriere; W. Taylor, A. H. Clark, D. Reichelmann, H. McTavish and E. Riis. Reserve; W. Hamilton.

BISLEY THIS YEAR.

The Army Council having given their approval to the annual meeting of the National Rifle Association being held at Bisley this year, arrangements will be made for a meeting to be held in July, of which further particulars will be announced in due course.

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SWATOW RETURNS.

At Swatow, the total number and tonnage of vessels which entered and cleared during the quarter ended in September 1918 was 424 vessels of 448,972 tons showing, when compared with the corresponding quarter in 1917, a decrease of 10 vessels and 51,079 tons. The percentages of the total were 67.7 per cent. British; 24.5 per cent. Japanese; 5.3 per cent. Norwegian and 2.5 per cent. Chinese, Portuguese and Dutch.

FREIGHT CONGESTION AT VLADIVOSTOK.

So great is the congestion of inbound freight at Vladivostok, due to the disorganisation of the transportation lines in Russia, that ships are now unloaded only with difficulty and cargoes are stored on all available space on the shore. At times the only available storage is provided by lighters which are tied up until a movement of goods on the land leaves a vacancy. Ice breakers have successfully kept open a passage through a huge icefield about the port, through which ships are enabled to pass without difficulty. The Vladivostok service of N.Y.K. and O.S.K. lines has been suspended.

AMERICA'S SHIPPING OUTPUT.

Some startling figures as to the growth of shipbuilding in the United States are afforded by the annual summary of the mercantile shipbuilding of the world for 1918, just issued by Lloyd's Register of Shipping. The summary excludes Germany and Austria-Hungary, and does not include warships or vessels built to Government order for other than mercantile purpose. Thus 391 vessels of 1,348,120 tons were launched in the United Kingdom during 1918. These figures are 584,033 tons below the record of 1913, and represent an output 26 per cent. lower than the average of the three pre-war years 1911-13. They are, however, higher than the totals for the previous three years, the present total being 185,224 tons more than that for 1917, and 739,835 tons more than that for 1916. The average tonnage of steamers launched in the United Kingdom was 4,481 tons. The "standard" vessels numbered 198, with a total tonnage of about 885,000 gross. Outside the United Kingdom there were launched during 1918 1,555 merchant vessels, of 4,099,324 tons. The figures show an increase of 131 per cent. as compared with those for 1917, and are 2,599,395 tons higher than those for 1913, the pre-war record year. No less than 1,145,583 tons of wood vessels have been built, or nearly 28 per cent. of the total tonnage launched abroad during 1918. The countries where the largest output has taken place are the United States, Japan, and Canada. The totals for these countries amount to 3,781,145 tons, and account for 92 per cent. of the total output abroad. The United States output for the year—3,033,030 tons gross—is a convincing proof of the great development in the shipbuilding industry which was generally known to have taken place in that country. This total for one year is higher than the whole output of the United States during the preceding ten years. It is more than three times the amount launched during 1917, and it exceeds by over 25 per cent. the combined output of the rest of the world for the year 1918. The output for Japan—489,924 tons—was the highest on record, being 140,000 tons more than in 1917, and practically ten times the amount launched in the country during 1913. Canada's tonnage launched last year totalled 258,191 tons. The total mercantile output of Allied and neutral countries for the year was 5,447,444 tons. This figure has never been approached before in Lloyd's annual summaries; it is over 63 per cent. higher than the output for 1913, the record year prior to the war, which of course included Germany, Austria-Hungary, etc.

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All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on April 1st 1919 at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within a month of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns and all goods remaining undelivered after April 3rd will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature immediately.

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No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their bills of lading for counter-signature.

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Hongkong, 28th March, 1919.

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From 31st Mar. to 6th Apr.

Day	High Water	Low Water	Day	High Water	Low Water
Mar.	Apr.	Mar.	Apr.	Mar.	Apr.
31	1.0	1.0	1	1.0	1.0
1	1.0	1.0	2	1.0	1.0
2	1.0	1.0	3	1.0	1.0
3	1.0	1.0	4	1.0	1.0
4	1.0	1.0	5	1.0	1.0
5	1.0	1.0	6	1.0	1.0
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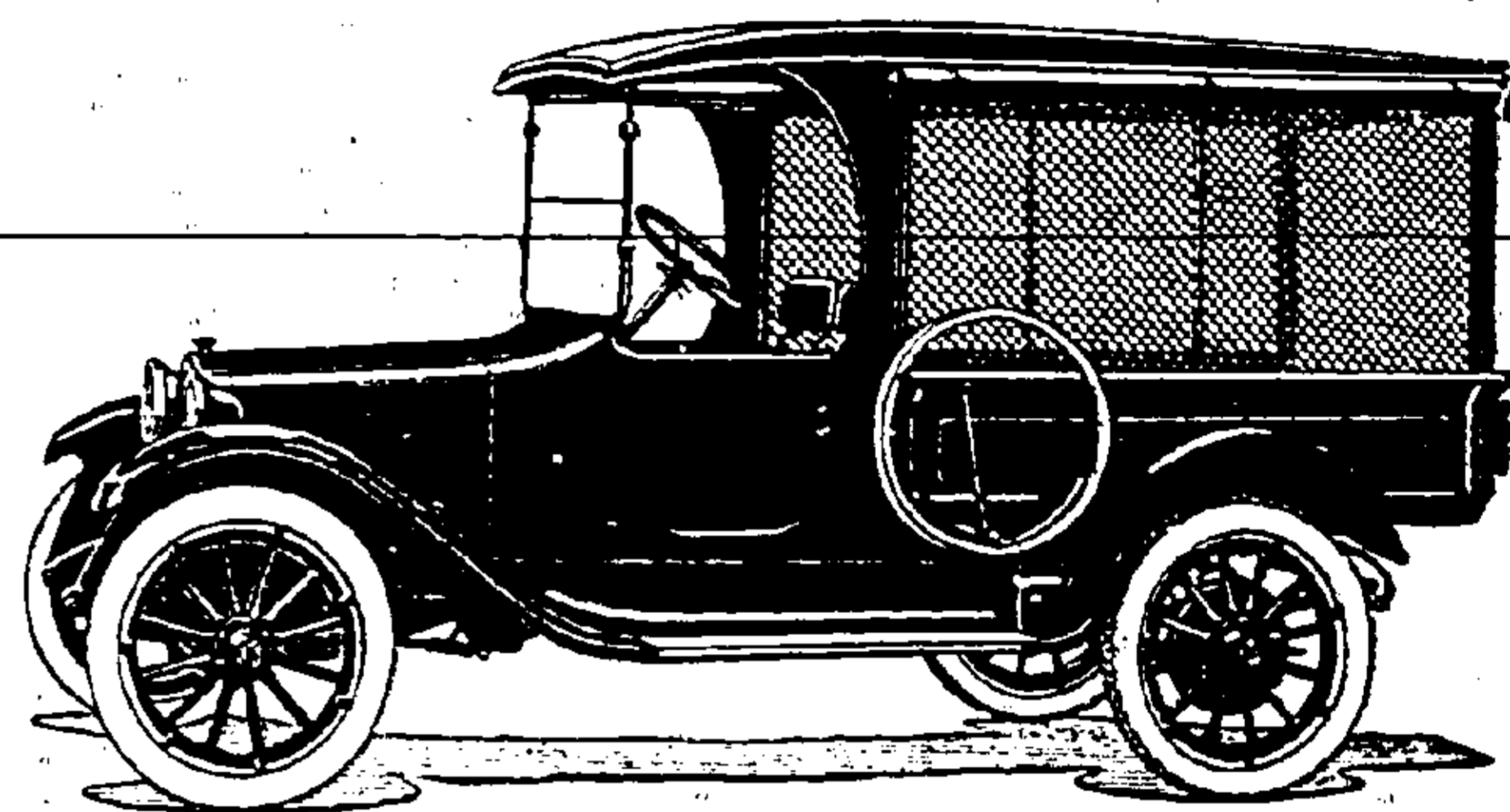
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The victim is a marine hawker, and Ah Wong conspired with a confederate to rob him of his money. Having laid their plans carefully, they set their conspiracy in motion. The confederate went to the hawker and with oily words, told him of a large consignment of old iron on the Fuk Lau which could be bought, dirt-cheap, for \$100. Whilst his confederate was deceiving the hawker into a sampan with the money, Ah Wong had not been idle. He secured another sampan, and rowing into midstream he waited for their arrival. Then flourishing a formidable-looking trunk, Ah Wong boarded the sampan and announced ostentatiously that he was a policeman coming to arrest them for being opium-smugglers. So as not to arouse their suspicions by being too eager, he made a great show of searching the boat, then the boatpeople, and finally transferred his attention to the hawker's pockets and relieved him of \$115. The hawker was inclined to protest at first, but Ah Wong assured him that his money was in safe-keeping. The boat was turned back to the shore, and the accomplice, announcing that he was off to fetch the handcuffs, made his escape. Ah Wong tried to slip away after him, but was detained by the hawker who had now begun to sense that there was something "fishy" about the affair.

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In addition to this, the British Gazette No. 511 to 515, showing Armistice Celebrations at Home, and the surrender of the German Fleet, are screened.

The whole of the satisfying programme is rounded off by a Harold Lloyd comedy too screamingly funny for words.

ARMY GROUP IN COMMONS.

Invitations have been issued by Army members of the House of Commons to all M.P.s who have rendered service in the military forces of the Crown to meet to discuss the formation of an Army Parliamentary group. General Sir A. Hunter, Major General Sir S. Scott, Colonel Yate, Brigadier-General Hickman, and Lieut.-Colonel Midway are among the signatories of the invitation.

WELSH MOUNTAIN MOVING.

As a result of the landslide at the little industrial village of Victoria, near Ebbw Vale, the general position is becoming increasingly serious. The thaw recently immediately put the mountain-side in motion again, and the movement since has been rapid. The houses previously affected were taken down, but the slide is now extending northwards, and houses quite safe a week ago are now in a very dangerous position.

HARDEN AND THE EX-KAISER.

"PAINFUL ADMISSIONS."

Brussels, Feb. 15.—The *Soir* continues to-night its series of articles under the heading of "Germany's New Way of Looking at Things" by an interview with Maximilian Harden. The paper announces that the officer who has placed these conversations on record is Lieut. Maurice Berger, who has been on a Government mission to Berlin.

"Germany was slowly turning towards a more constitutional regime," said M. Harden. "I do not think that if the war had not occurred we should have ever seen the Republic. Still, what has happened shows how shallow were the roots of our monarchy."

"Is there a chance of restoration?" asked the Belgian officer. "It is not impossible; the old regime has probably retained some of its supporters. I think, however, that it would only be as the result of very grave disorders that a restoration would be possible."

"What will be the sentiment of Germany if the Allies demand the extradition and trial of the Kaiser?"

"I think the Allies would make a mistake. The Kaiser's present punishment is as cruel as his worst enemies could desire; he should not be made a martyr."

"Further, in a question such as responsibility for the war, it is very difficult to establish sufficiently precise facts to obtain a conviction. It is the thirty years of the reign of William II. which carry the responsibility for the war. It is the teaching which has poisoned the youth; it is the spirit of militarism that has been sown into the people."

"The Kaiser in the end was drawn into it himself—perhaps against his own sentiments. He was not warlike, he was not even courageous, and I know that he had a struggle to conquer his personal resistance before he could be brought to sign the mobilisation decree."

"But once in the war it was he who kept alive the national hatred; it was he who authorised the methods of war for which the world will never pardon us. Believe me, it is terribly painful for me to have to admit this."

"But no protest against these methods was ever raised in Germany," persisted the officer.

"Poor people!" sighed Harden. "They did not know, and do not know now. They loyally believed that right was on their side; if they had not they would not have fought and suffered as they did. They believed in a coalition against Germany; they did not understand that England, France, and Russia had no other object than to protect themselves against the adventurous designs of the Kaiser. They did not understand that the violation of Belgium was a crime which turned the entire universe against Germany."

"They are still certain that if Germany had not invaded Belgium, England and France were ready to do so. Personally, I do not think France ever thought of such a thing, and if she had England would not have permitted it."

"But it was an old idea of the Kaiser's. In one of his outbursts he once said to Leopold II.: 'If there is a war I shall go through Belgium, if she resists Belgium won't exist any longer!'"

Harden returned to the fact that there was no protest in Germany against the Belgian aggression or the methods of war to lay emphasis on the system of aggression and the lies with which the people were led.

He also made this curious observation, that now that people's eyes are open not only do the actors in the tragedy hesitate to admit Germany's guilt, but people who have lost a son, a brother, or a husband want to cling to the belief that they have suffered their bereavement in a good cause. They think it would take from the dignity of their grief if they recognised that the cause for which the country had fought was a criminal one.

"All the newspapers supported the war," added the editor of *Zukunft*, "and a newspaper will never admit being wrong until the last extremity."

Harden blames Scheidemann and his friends for not admitting

COMMERCIAL NEWS.

MANUFACTURING PROGRESS IN JAPAN.

A writer in the Imperial and Foreign Trade Supplement of the *Times* points out that the withdrawal of European nations from competition in the markets of Asia and Australia, and the increasing popularity in China of Japanese goods, have been extremely favourable to manufacturing progress. At the same time these otherwise favourable circumstances have had their drawbacks, as, for instance, in the cotton spinning industry, which at one period was unable to get sufficient supplies, a highly essential article usually supplied by Great Britain. Very little has been done by Japan in the way of making textile machinery. The American machinery which has been imported is considerably dearer and less durable, so British makers ought not to find it difficult to recover the trade. High cost of coal, advances in wages, increased freights, scarcity of tonnage, and trade restrictions imposed by the Allies are hindrances which have been experienced, particularly by some industrial companies whose dividends during the past year have had a tendency "to decrease, though others continued to experience remarkable prosperity."

The high price of coal has resulted in an increased demand for hydro-electric power. During the war Japan's exports of cotton cloth have been multiplied fivefold in value, and the Government realises that if the markets newly gained in China, India, the Dutch East Indies, Australia, and the Philippines are to be retained, the quality of Japanese cotton cloths must bear comparison with that of cloths of British and other production. Japanese manufacturers will therefore be required by the Government to keep their exports up to a fixed high standard. It is not easy at present to see clearly for what British goods the demand in Japan is likely to be most favourable. The fact that Japan is rapidly extending her own manufacturing industries undoubtedly means that certain goods will no longer be imported, but it does not necessarily mean that Japan will become a less valuable market for the whole for the products of British industries. On the contrary, the demand for European goods should increase proportionately with her general progress. Machinery and factory equipment, motors, motor vehicles, electrical goods and power plant, and chemicals are lines which British manufacturers should bear in mind in considering opportunities for renewed trade with Japan. An increasing demand may be expected for internal combustion engines, for harbour boats and fishing vessels. Before the war Great Britain was the largest supplier of gas, petroleum, and hot-air engines, which totalled about £120,000 a year in value. At present most of the engines required are being built in Japan, and Japanese manufacturers are able to supply consumers' requirements, but their quality is not equal to that of British productions. In view of the threatened world-wide wool shortage it is of interest to note that Japan aspires to independence as a wool-producing nation. At present its production of wool is almost nothing, whilst raw wool was imported in 1917 to the value of £5,211,000. The Government has imported from Australia sheep for breeding and started three national sheep farms. It is proposed in due course to establish model sheep farms in various parts of Japan, and good breeding stock will be supplied from the national farms to private breeders and graziers.

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Wm. Powells b. 11

Wiseman b. 23

Hongkong, April 4, 1919.

DOVER'S CLAIM TO TROPHIES.

At a meeting of the Dover Town Council recently, the Town Clerk reported that the Government had allotted to the town one damaged German machine-gun, a damaged ammunition-box, and a damaged belt. This caused amusement among the Council, and the Deputy Mayor said he did not know if the authorities valued the services of Dover during the war at the price of a machine-gun. Another Councillor said they would rather have the Vindictive. The Mayor thought they had a very strong claim for something better.

CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM
ASSOCIATION OF
HONGKONG.

NOTICE.—The annual General Meeting of the members of the above Association will be held on Tuesday 15th April, at 5.30 p.m. in the old Chamber of Commerce Room—City Hall.

Agenda: To receive and pass the Committee's Report and Statement of Accounts.
Election of new Committee for ensuing year.

H. B. L. OWBIGIN,
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EX-SOLDIERS' CRAZE FOR
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CLOTHES.

Men's clothes are about to recover from the drab monotony caused by the war, says the *Daily News*. The demobilised soldier, it seems, insists on that. After spending some years in khaki, he proposes to let himself go a little. The new knut will apparently be knuttier than ever. "We find," said a West-End tailor "that all our demobilised customers are much more interested in clothes than they used to be. Many are so tired of wearing nothing but khaki that they refuse to look at anything at all brown, and ask for grey, as light as possible."

Tweeds are much in demand, and the more violent the colour the better they are liked. One customer said to me the other day: "I've been camouflaged for the last four years. Now I'm going to wear something that can be seen." He chose a light grey for London and a particularly enterprising tweed for the country. He left, in high spirits, to buy some congenial socks.

Men's figures have much improved. "What we notice more than anything," said the manager of Messrs. Pope and Bradley, "is the great improvement in the way men stand. They are more upright. The stoop has quite gone out. They are all bigger, too. We have to take fresh measurements of all our old customers. The chest especially has always developed."

Men who have been in the ranks are keen on stiff collars. The soft collar has had its day in London. Millions of men who have worn no collar at all in the past four years are welcoming the opportunity of going to the other extreme.

Hats must be light in colour and soft—as a relief from stiff khaki. The bowler is doomed. So is the tall hat, unless it becomes white or grey. Shoes are in far greater demand than boots. After four years of Army boots, the ex-soldier is anxious for something lighter.

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SHANGHAI HOTELS.

TAXED TO THE LIMIT.

That Shanghai is in need of hotels is clearly shown by the crowded condition of the hostels at the present time, says the *Shanghai Gazette*. Not since previous days have the local hotels known such a rushing business, and managers state that if the business increases, which there is every indication that it will, they will be at loss to know what to do with the people.

With the conclusion of the war, business in America, England and other countries have had opportunity to turn their

attention to China trade and representatives of various concerns are arriving in great numbers by every steamer.

It is predicted that tourist travel will be light this spring and summer, chiefly because the leisure traveller will find conditions too crowded. Every available berth on steamships leaving Shanghai for months to come has been booked, and although a tourist would find it tolerable easy going on the out trip, he would have great difficulty in securing passage in returning. So far two tourist parties, of about twelve persons each, are scheduled to arrive in Shanghai next month. One party arrives on the Ecuador April 5 and another on the Express of Japan April 18.

NOTICES.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Society will be held at the registered office of the Society, Queen's Building, Hongkong, on Thursday, the 10th day of April, 1919, at 12 o'clock noon, when the following resolutions will be proposed as extraordinary resolutions:

1. That the nominal silver capital of the Society as existing when this resolution is confirmed as a special resolution be converted into sterling and that such capital be converted by increasing beyond the sterling equivalent of such silver capital when such conversion takes place to the sum of £2,000,000 Sterling divided into 200,000 shares of the nominal value of £10 each.
2. That each of the issued silver shares of the Society of the nominal value of £20 each with the sum of £100 paid up thereon be converted into five shares of the nominal value of £10 each with the sterling equivalent of £20 Hongkong currency at the open market rate of exchange on the date this resolution is confirmed as a special resolution credited as paid up thereon and accordingly that 90,000 shares out of 200,000 shares of the nominal value of £10 each constituting the capital of the Society be converted and increased by the Board to the persons who are registered as shareholders of the Society on the date this resolution is confirmed as a special resolution in exchange for the silver shares then held by them.
3. That the Articles of Association be altered in manner following namely:

By the insertion after Article No. 107 of the following Article:

107 (a). The Board may employ the funds of the Society which have been established pursuant to the provisions of Article 107 or any other portion thereof (and that whether such funds are of them or any portion thereof) and that whether such funds are of them or any portion thereof to be dealt with were set aside for the special purpose or not in or for all or any of the following purposes, that is to say, in meeting contingencies, in repaying dividends, in paying special dividends or bonuses, in repaying or improving and maintaining any of the property of the Society, or otherwise in the business of the Society, and in or for such other purposes as the Board shall in its discretion think conducive to the interests of the Society and in regard to any such employment as aforesaid the Board shall not be bound to keep such funds separate from the other assets.

By the insertion of the following Articles after Article No. 108:

108a. (1). Any general meeting at which a dividend or bonus is declared or sanctioned may make a call on the members of such amount as the meeting may think fit but so that the call on each member shall not exceed the dividend or bonus payable to him and so that the call shall not exceed the provisions of Articles 108 and 21 the call may be payable at the same time as the dividend or bonus and the dividend or bonus may, if so arranged between the Society and the member, be set off against the call. The making of a call under this Article shall be deemed ordinary business of an ordinary general meeting which declares a dividend.

(2). After any resolution has been passed under the provisions of paragraph (1) of this Article the Board may arrange on behalf of the Society for the dividend or bonus to be set off against the call by authorizing any person on behalf of the members from whom such call is due to enter into an Agreement with the Society providing for such dividend or bonus to be set off against such call and any Agreement made under such authority shall be effective.

(3). It shall be no objection to any resolution made under paragraph (1) of this Article or to any call or arrangement that such resolution was passed or such call or arrangement was made at the meeting at which the resolution introducing this Article and Articles 107 (a) was confirmed as a special resolution provided that due notice of the intention to propose such first mentioned resolution and to declare such dividend or bonus and to make such call shall have been given prior to the Confirmatory meeting aforesaid.

108b. (1). In the case of the Hongkong Currency at such rate of exchange as the General Meeting declaring or sanctioning the same or, in the case of interim dividends, as the Board may determine.

(2). Should the above resolutions be passed by the requisite majority they will be submitted for confirmation as special resolutions to a second extraordinary meeting which will be subsequently convened.

Dated the 29th day of March 1919.

By Order of the Board,

C. MONTAGUE EDE,

General Manager.

BRITISH TRADERS INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the registered office of the Company, Queen's Building, Hongkong, on Thursday, the 10th day of April, 1919, at 5 o'clock p.m., when the following resolutions will be proposed as extraordinary resolutions:

1. That the nominal silver capital of the Company as existing when this resolution is confirmed as a special resolution be converted into sterling and that such capital be converted by increasing beyond the sterling equivalent of such silver capital when such conversion takes place to the sum of £1,000,000 Sterling divided into 200,000 shares of the nominal value of £5 each.
2. That each of the issued silver shares of the Company of the nominal value of £10 each with the sum of £25.00 paid up thereon be converted into five shares of the nominal value of £5 each with the sterling equivalent of £25 Hongkong currency at the open market rate of exchange on the date this resolution is confirmed as a special resolution credited as paid up thereon and accordingly that 81,600 shares out of the 200,000 shares of the nominal value of £5 each constituting the capital of the Company be converted and increased by the Board to the persons who are registered as shareholders of the Company on the date this resolution is confirmed as a special resolution in exchange for the silver shares then held by them.
3. That the Articles of Association be altered in manner following namely:

By the insertion after Article No. 106 of the following Article:

106 (a). The Board may employ the funds of the Company which have been established pursuant to the provisions of Article 106 or any other portion thereof (and that whether such funds are of them or any portion thereof) and that whether such funds are of them or any portion thereof to be dealt with were set aside for the special purpose or not in or for all or any of the following purposes, that is to say, in meeting contingencies, in repaying dividends, in paying special dividends or bonuses, in repaying or improving and maintaining any of the property of the Company, or otherwise in the business of the Company, and in or for such other purposes as the Board shall in its discretion think conducive to the interests of the Company and in regard to any such employment as aforesaid the Board shall not be bound to keep such funds separate from the other assets.

By the insertion of the following Articles after Article No. 107:

107a. (1). Any general meeting at which a dividend or bonus is declared or sanctioned may make a call on the members of such amount as the meeting may think fit but so that the call on each member shall not exceed the dividend or bonus payable to him and so that the call shall not exceed the provisions of Articles 107 and 20 the call may be payable at the same time as the dividend or bonus and the dividend or bonus may, if so arranged between the Company and the member, be set off against the call. The making of a call under this Article shall be deemed ordinary business of an ordinary general meeting which declares a dividend.

(2). After any resolution has been passed under the provisions of paragraph (1) of this Article the Board may arrange on behalf of the Company for the dividend or bonus to be set off against the call by authorizing any person on behalf of the members from whom such call is due to enter into an Agreement with the Company providing for such dividend or bonus to be set off against such call and any Agreement made under such authority shall be effective.

(3). It shall be no objection to any resolution made under paragraph (1) of this Article or to any call or arrangement that such resolution was passed or such call or arrangement was made at the meeting at which the resolution introducing this Article and Articles 106 (a) was confirmed as a special resolution provided that due notice of the intention to propose such first mentioned resolution and to declare such dividend or bonus and to make such call shall have been given prior to the Confirmatory meeting aforesaid.

107b. (1). In the case of the Hongkong Currency at such rate of exchange as the General Meeting declaring or sanctioning the same or, in the case of interim dividends, as the Board may determine.

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Dated the 29th day of March, 1919.

By Order of the Board,

C. MONTAGUE EDE,

General Manager.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

GERMAN POLITICS.

ARREST OF INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST.

Copenhagen, March 31.
A message from Berlin says that the Independent Socialist, Daeunig, the second President of the Greater Berlin Executive Council, has been arrested on suspicion of being the ringleader of the January disturbances.

BELGIANS OCCUPY DUSSELDORF.

Copenhagen, March 30.
The "Vossische Zeitung" reports that fifty Belgians occupied Dusseldorf harbour, the Entente explaining that the occupation of harbours on the right bank was essential for the protection of Rhine traffic.

UKRAINE AND THE ENTENTE.

Berne, March 30.
The Government of Western Ukraine has notified Paris that it acquiesces in the wishes of the Entente.

AUSTRALIANS SCORN ENEMY TRADING.

Melbourne, March 31.
Two leading firms of Australian manufacturing chemists have received requests by a New York German firm for resumption of relations which were promptly emphatically refused.

BRITISH COURT-MARTIAL COMMITTEE.

London, March 31.
In the House of Commons Major Guest said that Mr. Justice Darling would preside over the Court-martial Committee which would include Mr. Horatio Bottomley, M.P., Lord Hugh Cecil, M.P., Major C. Lowther, M.P., Mr. S. Walsh, M.P., and Lord Cavan, Sir Felix Casel, Major General Chubb and Mellor. It would inquire into the laws and rules of procedure regulating court-martial both in peacetime and wartime and make recommendations.

INTER-IMPERIAL CONSTITUTION.

London, March 31.
In the House of Commons at question time Mr. Bonar Law stated that the Imperial Parliament would consult the Dominion Prime Ministers before they returned home regarding the most convenient time and method for holding a special Imperial Conference to consider inter-imperial constitutional relationships.

BRITISH PRISONERS IN RUSSIA.

London, March 31.
In the House of Commons at question time Mr. R. H. Harcourt stated that the number of British subjects detained by the Russian Bolshevik Government was not believed to be very large. Replying to the Government's intimation that the Bolshevik leaders would be held personally responsible for the treatment of British prisoners Mr. Telatcherin denied that prisoners were in any way ill-treated.

BLOCKADE OF AUSTRIAN PORTS.

Rome, March 31.
The blockade of the Adriatic was to cease at midnight on 30th March.

GERMAN CREDIT IN NEUTRAL COUNTRIES.

Copenhagen, March 31.
A message from Berlin states: Reports circulating in Berlin that the Hungarian and Russian Soviet Governments have offered Germany an alliance have evoked a semi-official statement that nothing is officially known of such offers.

In order to assist Germany to obtain credit in neutral countries for the purchase of foodstuffs, Marshal Foch has telegraphed to Spa intimating that Germany is allowed to negotiate with neutral firms provided the approval of the Supreme Blockade Council is obtained. German semi-official newspapers demand the abolition of this condition declaring that Germany's trade must be entirely freed.

ENTENTE NEGOTIATING WITH BOLSHEVIST RUSSIA.

London, March 31.
It is rumoured in Paris that the Entente Powers are opening fresh negotiations with M. Lenin.

BRITISH ARMIES OF OCCUPATION.

London, April 1.
In the House of Commons on March 31 Mr. Winston Churchill, speaking on the Military Service Bill said the cost for 1919 for the Army of Occupation was estimated at £133,000,000, after deducting £70,000,000 recoverable from Germany. It was expected to recover by salvage an amount two or three times greater than the cost of the Armies of Occupation for the current year. From the White Sea to the Caspian there was a smouldering corridor of flame. Little states were in the direct peril and immediately we brought back the armies we would be powerless to influence the course of events in Europe. The distribution of troops would be approximately as follows: Britain 170,000; France, 120,000; the Rhine, 284,000; Italy and adjacent regions 10,000.

The presence of troops in the last mentioned areas was due to a request by both parties in order to adjust the lamentable differences between Italy and the Jugo-Slavs and prevent trouble between the local populations in places where the troops of no other nation would be welcome. There were no troops anywhere engaged on a more merciful and beneficial task. In middle Caucasus there were 75,000 troops which he hoped would be soon substantially reduced. They were retained at present merely to prevent uprisings until decisions had been reached by the Peace Conference. In Mesopotamia there were 30,000, and in North Russia and Siberia 20,000. Of these Armies of Occupation numbering 359,000 there were 208,000 non-combatants.

It was impossible to get the forces required by voluntary means before the Peace Treaty was finally ratified. Referring to the criticism that the situation in Egypt was due to the Military Government Mr. Churchill remarked that whatever might be said of British soldiers and Generals they were more in demand in every country of the world as law-givers and pacifiers than the soldiers of any other country. (Cheers). As a matter of fact the British rule under which Egypt has prospered so enormously had never been military but civilian. In time of war exceptional steps had been taken but the country had been administered through the civilian authorities. The Bill passed the third reading.

VICTORIA THEATRE

TO-NIGHT

TO-NIGHT

9.15 p.m.

Mrs.

CHARLIE CHAPLIN

(Mildred Harris)

"THE PRICE OF A GOOD TIME"

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

FAG END OF PEACE DELIBERATIONS.

Paris, March 30.
It is semi-officially stated that M. Dutasta, the Secretary of the General Peace Conference, visited Versailles this afternoon in order to arrange the holding of the congress for peace preliminaries. As soon as the Great Powers have finally decided the text of the preliminaries the German plenipotentiaries, headed by Herr Brockdorff Rantzau, will be summoned to Versailles. About two hundred Germans altogether are expected who will be lodged in the Town Hall. Preparations for their installation will occupy at least three weeks, so that the Congress cannot well open until after Easter.

The Council of Four is methodically working and is meeting twice daily. The utmost reserve is maintained in regard to the outcome of their deliberations but it seems certain that a certain amount of war material and equipment will be sent to Rumania with a view to the military measures necessitated by the establishment of Bolshevik rule at Budapest.

General Henry is about to leave Paris for Poland where he will take command of the Allied forces.

HELP FOR RUMANIA.

London, March 31.
Reuters learns that the Government has arranged to open credits with Rumania for the purchase of immediate necessities especially railway material. A complete equipment for 150,000 men will also be sent. The Canadian Government is granting Rumania a loan of five million sterling for the purchase of agricultural necessities.

GERMANS COQUETING WITH BOLSHEVISM.

London, March 31.
The "Daily News" Paris correspondent says that the official investigator whom the British Government employed during the war has returned to Paris from Germany and has presented a report to the delegates. He regards seriously the coqueting of the Germans with Bolshevism and says it is a last desperate venture of the militarists, who hope that if Germany goes Bolshevik she will drag the world down with her. He is of opinion that the many disorders attributed to the Spartacists were really originated by the militarists and a change of Government is necessary to break the power of the militarists. He foreshadows a coalition of the Independent Majority Socialists and the Middleclass Pacifists.

FRENCH MILITARY CREDITS.

NO REDUCTION.

Paris, March 30.
The Chamber, after an all night sitting, rejected by 302 votes to 131 a motion by the Socialist M. Renaudel for reduction of military credits by 350 millions sterling for the second quarter of 1919, thereby giving the vote of confidence in the Government for which M. Pichon and M. Abrams, Under-Secretary for War, asked.

M. Abrams in a speech declared that the French forces in Russia were as small as possible. The Government did not wish an expedition to Russia whether not another man would be sent. The Allied policy in regard to Russia was to lend all possible assistance against Bolshevism in food, clothing and stores to Poland, Rumania and the Baltic States.

CHINESE COOLIES IN FRANCE.

London, March 30.
In the House of Commons at question time Mr. Churchill stated that about 63,000 Chinese coolies were employed in France on March 8, of whom 4,000 would probably be repatriated by April 20. No date had been fixed for the repatriation of the remainder who would probably be required in France for some time.

WAR MEMORIALS.

SHANGHAI SUGGESTION.

"O.L.W." writing to the N. C. Daily News on March 28, says:—
In your issue of to-day there is a report which shows that Hongkong has seriously taken up the question of a War Memorial.

What is Shanghai doing?
There was certain correspondence published in the Municipal Gazette dated January 30 on the subject of the reservation of a site, but that is all that is known to have been done to date.

As regards the site reserved, it is to be hoped Shanghai will not be satisfied with the mere erection of a triumphal arch or monument on what happens to be a convenient site on an existing street, which is but little frequented by either residents or visitors and where it certainly could not be properly viewed or appreciated. Let us have something worthy.

I venture to suggest that a suitable site be prepared by the clearing of a large space—the formation of a Civic Centre for preference—wherein a really fine memorial could be erected with fitting architectural setting where it would be seen to full advantage.

The event we wish to memorialize is no local one, but the greatest in the world's history. The men we wish to honour have sacrificed themselves for the freedom of the whole world and nothing short of the most ambitious scheme possible for Shanghai will meet the case. Form therefore an extensive square with wide roads leading thereto (we sorely need some wide roads) so that all and sundry will be attracted to this centre and be constantly reminded by the Memorial of their indebtedness to the men who have fallen.

Such a square, Victory Square, Heroes' Garden, call it what you like, will provide a meeting place for the community on official occasions, and a worthy memorial as the crowning feature would be a source of inspiration to all.

Let Shanghai take a generous view of the matter, little has been done in the past in providing architectural effects, but it is an opportunity to show future generations that the residents of to-day realised the great debt they owed to the men who fell in the Great War, and that in honouring them they endeavoured to leave a better city for those who follow.

RELEASE OF OBJECTORS.

REPLY TO LABOUR DEPUTATION.

Mr. Sharr, Home Secretary, replied recently to a deputation from the Labour Party, which urged the immediate release of the 1,000 conscientious objectors now in prison. He said he regretted he could not make any definite statement as to the future, but the Secretary for War and himself were giving very careful consideration to the question, and hoped very shortly to bring a scheme before the Cabinet.

It was a mistake to think that all the men at present in prison were conscientious men. Only a couple of days ago he received a petition from a conscientious objector in Wandsworth (that complaining of the conduct of a large number of other men serving sentences there as conscientious objectors and who, the writer declared, ought never to be called conscientious objectors).

He would assume for the moment, however, that all the men were sincere. It could not be denied that a long period of imprisonment was bound to have a certain effect upon the health of the men concerned, although the figures and statements on this subject, to which considerable publicity had been given, were very much exaggerated.

As regarded the question of release in a body, he thought the deputation did not quite realise the difficulties in the way. All soldiers were anxious to get demobilised, and there could be no doubt that if the men who had fought during the war and were still retained in the Army knew that conscientious objectors were being released and discharged from the Army en bloc, a very bitter feeling would be roused. That was a question the Government were bound to consider.

With regard to the question of the health of the men, whenever there was the faintest excuse on medical grounds the men were released at once.

30 CO.'S TRIED SINCE ARMISTICE. Hobart and Porter two conscientious objectors who have already served over two years' hard labour, have again been sentenced to two years' hard labour by court martial at Hounslow Barracks and removed to Wormwood Scrubs. This makes 30 conscientious objectors who have been court martialled since the armistice. The majority have been sentenced to two years' hard labour.

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T/T Shanghai	Nom.
T/T Singapore	138 1/2
T/T Japan	47 1/2
T/T India	Nom.
Demand India	Nom.
T/T San Francisco	75
co & New York	75
T/T Java	188 1/2
T/T Manila	N m.
T/T France	443 1/2
Demand Paris	443 1/2

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30 d/s San Francisco co & New York	7 1/2
4 m/s Manila	Nom.
4 m/s France	46 1/2
4 m/s Paris	465 1/2
Demand Germany	75 1/2
Demand New York	Nom.
T/T Bombay	Nom.
T/T Calcutta	Nom.
Demand Manila	155 1/2
Demand Singapore	138 1/2
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The Charge of Admission will be \$1.00 for others than Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club or Gymkhana Club.

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The Committee invite the Ladies of Hongkong to be present.

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NOTICE.

PARTICULARS and CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 7th day of April, 1919, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Shaikwan in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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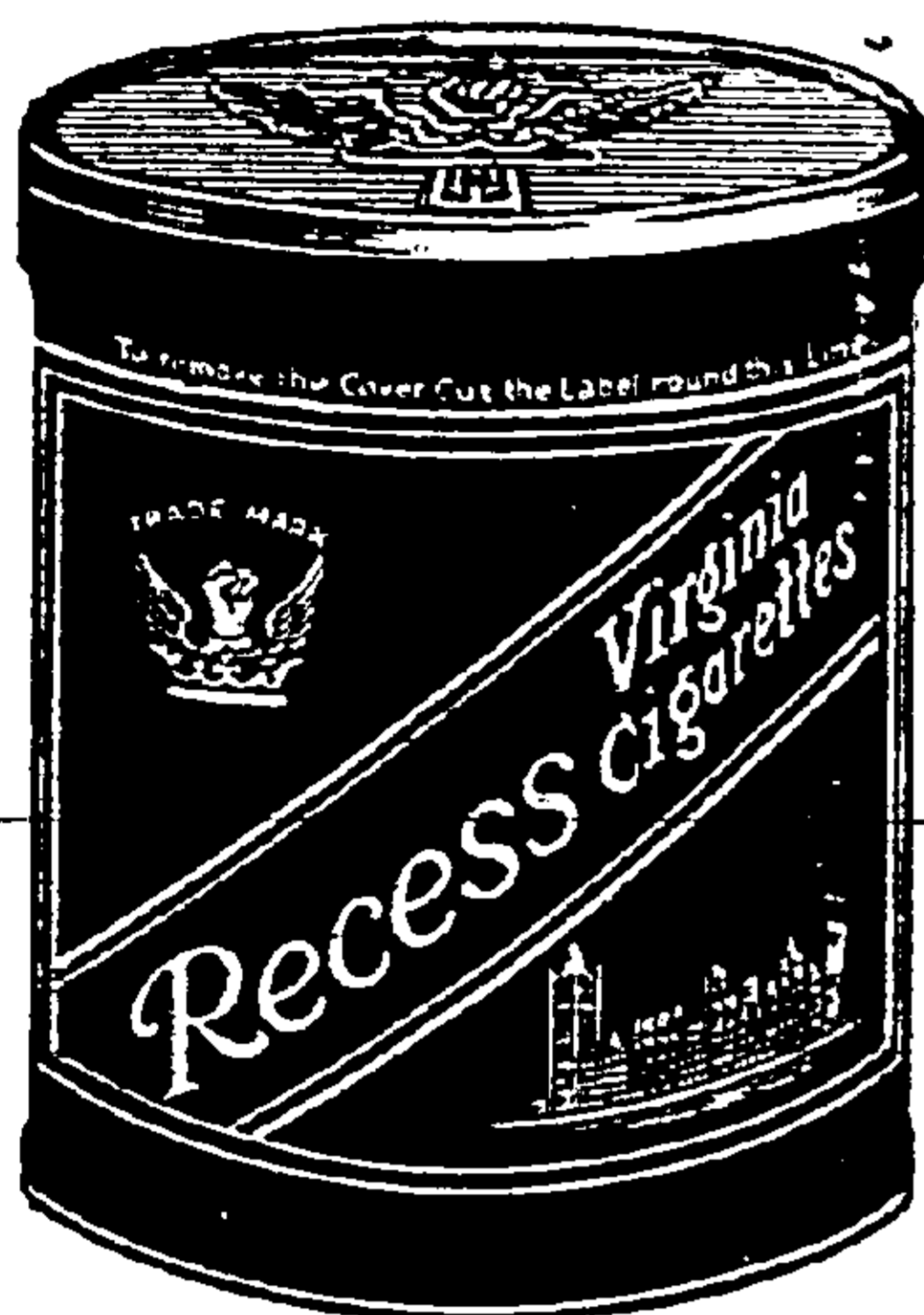
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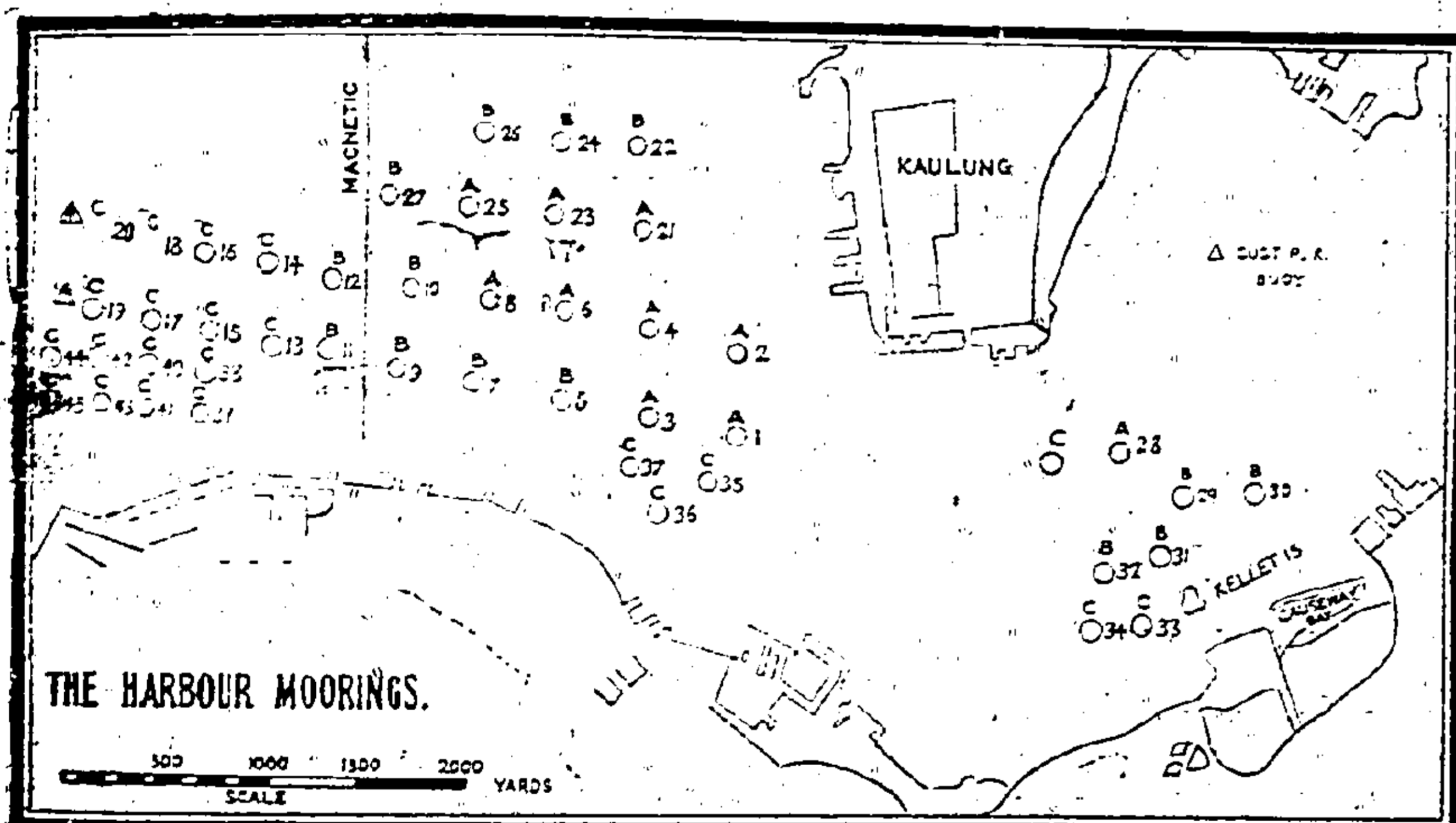
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Shanghai, N. China and Japan via Yokohama, Hongkong, Canada, U. States, Central and S. America & Europe via San Francisco—Per HANKING, 6th April, Eng. 6:45 a.m. Leaves 9:30 a.m.
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Japan via Yokohama, United States, Central and South America and Europe via Canada—Per PROTETIANAU, 5th April, Eng. 11:45 p.m. Leaves 1:30 p.m.
Shanghai and N. China—Per CHENAN, 5th April, 5 p.m.
Amoy—Per TAIKUNG, 5th April, 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, 6th April.
Swatow, Amoy and Pootchow—Per HAIKONG, 6th April, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Pootchow via Takao—Per KALJO M., 6th April, 9 a.m.
Tientsin—Per KUKICHOW, 6th April, 9 a.m.
Saigon—Per PHEUMPENH, 6th April, 9 a.m.

MONDAY, 7th April.
Swatow & Bangkok—Per LIANGCHOW, 7th April, 11 a.m.
Shanghai, N. China, and Japan via Waf, Canada, United States, C. & S. America and Europe via Canada—Per MONTAGLE, 7th April, Eng. 9:45 a.m. Leaves 10:30 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok and India via Calcutta—Per KUMSANG, 7th April, 9 a.m.
Philippine Islands, Straits, Bangkok, Egypt and Europe via Suez—Per ORESTES, 7th April, 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, 8th April.
Philippine Is.—Per SHANAI, 8th April, 11 a.m.
Shanghai & N. China—Per SINKIANG, 8th April, 11 a.m.

WEATHER REPORT.

April 4d. 12h. 10m.—No returns from Japan and Vladivostok. Pressure has increased moderately at Weihaiwei, and increased slightly elsewhere; it is highest over Shanghai and relatively low over the S. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.15 inch. Total since January 1st 4.56 inches against an average of 6.63 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

Direction	Forecast
1 Hongkong to Gap, East	N.E. winds, fresh, cloudy, rain.
2 7-miles Thence	The same as No. 1.
3 South coast of China bet. Green H.K. and Lamook	The same as No. 1.
4 South coast of China bet. Green H.K. and Hainan	The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register. Apr. 4 a.m.

Station	Hour	Barometer	Temperature	Humidity	Winds	Force	Weather
Vostoek	6a						
Nemuro	2a						
Hakodate							
Tokio							
Kochi							
Sagami							
Kagima							
Oshima							
Naha							
Ishijima							
Sonin Is.							
Whaiwei	6a	30.13	35	90	n	10	
Hankow							
Ichang							
Kinkiang							
Shanghai		30.05	50		dr	10	
Outing		30.09	52	100	n	10	
Sharp P.		29.93	60	83	n	10	
Amoy		29.99	60	94	s	20	
Swatow		29.95	61	100	ne	10	
Taihou	5a	30.00	61	91	e	0	
Taipei		29.91	61				
Tainan		29.87	63		u	40	
Koehun		29.89	70		ene	40	
Pootow		29.91	66		ene	60	
Canton	6	29.95	65	89	nsw	10	
Hkong		29.94	64	94	ene	30	
Gap East		29.94			ene	40	
Macao		29.93	63	98	n	40	
Wuchow							
Pakhoi							
Hoihow							
Phallan	7a	29.99	64	92	sw	20	
Tourane		29.93	70		sw	40	
C. St. J.		29.81	72		e	60	
Asper	6	29.85	77	92		00	
Dagupan							
Manila		29.84	75	86		00	
Lagundi		29.85	75	92		00	
Tacloban		29.85	72	86		00	
Hollo		29.81	77		ne	20	
Burigao		29.84	72	94		10	
Cebu	4:30	29.95			ne	20	
Labuan	6						

C. W. JEFFRIES—Chief Assistant, Hongkong Observatory, April 4, 1919.

1 Barometer, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2 Temperature, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.

3 Humidity, in percentage of saturation the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

4 Direction of Wind, to two points.

5 Force of Wind, according to Beaufort Scale.

State of Weather, in blue sky, a detached cloud; if drizzling rain, fog, a gloomy, hazy, lightening, or overcast; if passing showers, or equally, rain, snow, thunder, or visibility, or dew wet.

METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous	Day	On date	On date
	at 10 a.m.	at 4 a.m.	at 10 p.m.
Barometer	29.94	29.94	29.99
Temperature	56	64	63
Humidity	95	94	83
Wind Direction	W. E.N.E.	E	
Force	1	3	4
Weather	od	0	od
Rain	0.07	0.00	0.28
Highest temp. at Temperature on the 1st day			
Lowest			

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